

City of Gold Bar

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107 – 5th Street, Gold Bar, WA 98251

City of Gold Bar Council Meeting Minutes Tuesday, October 1, 2024

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE, ROLL CALL

Mayor Yarbrough called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held in hybrid format. Present in person were Councilmembers Lie and Martin. Staff members present in person were Chief Whalen, Public Works Director Norris, and Clerk Stowe. Councilmembers Russell and Sears attended via Zoom as did Office Manager Beaston. Councilmember Phillips was absent.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to adopt the agenda as presented and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT - none

STAFF REPORT

Chief Whalen talked about ongoing investigations. Deputy Grassetth was injured in a collision but will be okay. The new deputy replacing Deputy Gallina is familiar with the area and has worked in the area before. He also talked about how busy the month of September was, and how October is already starting out busy.

Director Norris talked about Fall View building applications and that staff are preparing for winter. He said after seeing Skykomish working to get permits from the Department of Transportation to repair their water line under the highway, he is thankful Gold Bar does not have a similar situation.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Sears was glad to hear everyone involved in the collision is safe.

Councilmember Lie updated the Council on the most recent Snohomish County Tomorrow meeting and then spoke about affordable housing.

Councilmember Martin gave information on an upcoming recreational meeting.

Councilmember Russell would like to see a letter of appreciation for Deputy Gallina, and said he was glad Deputy Grassetth was resting at home.

Because of Councilmember Phillips' absence, Councilmember Lie moved to excuse her from the meeting. With a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Clerk Stowe called the public hearing to order at 7:14 pm and reviewed the hearing process. The applicable agenda was preliminary discussion of the 2025 budget. No councilmember had any reason to recuse themselves from the hearing.

Budget discussion included changes to staff allocations, impacts to the general and street funds, rate changes for schedule A for contracted cities, the impacts of the Sheriff's contract, property taxes, street preservation grants from the Transportation Improvement Board, the water capital fund, the street sweeper and stormwater fund, and upcoming work on Orchard Avenue.

After discussion, Councilmember Sears moved to adjourn the public hearing and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried, and the regular agenda was returned to at 7:33 pm.

CITIZEN COMMENTS - none

CONTINUED BUSINESS - none

NEW BUSINESS - none

FINAL COUNCIL COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Yarbrough reminded the Council that Sheriff Johnson will attend the next Council meeting.

Councilmember Sears will miss the next meeting and asked to be excused. Councilmember Lie moved to excuse Councilmember Sears and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

Councilmember Martin said there will be a town hall meeting on Proposition 1.

MINUTES APPROVAL

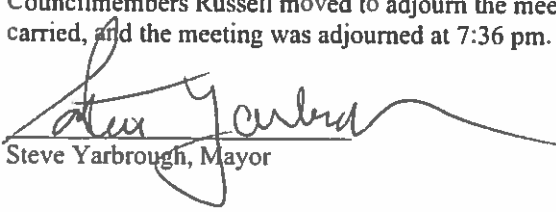
Councilmember Sears moved to approve the September 17th, 2024, minutes as presented and with a second by Councilmember Russell, the motion carried.

VOUCHER APPROVAL

Councilmember Martin moved to approve checks numbering 37935 through 37894 with \$250,030.07 for claims and \$54,877.97 for payroll and taxes, for a grand total of \$304,908.04 and with a second by Councilmember Sears, the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmembers Russell moved to adjourn the meeting and with a second by Councilmember Sears, the motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm.


Steve Yarbrough, Mayor


Lisa Stowe, Clerk/Treasurer